

Sri S. RAJAGOPAL (Kolar Gold Fields).—Mr. Speaker, Sir, when I was called by the Chair to put my Question No. 378 the Hon'ble Minister was not here to answer that Question. This is going on like this. I request you to caution the concerned Minister to be a little alert.

Mr. SPEAKER.—That question would be held over. I want the Hon'ble Ministers to be a little attentive to what I say. Two grievances were raised to day; one was that when the question was put, the Hon'ble Minister for Revenue was not present and the second was, that the Ministers were not present except one or two Deputy Ministers.

Sri M. V. KRISHNAPPA (Minister for Revenue).—I am extremely sorry for my absence, Sir.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Then, when a Question was put and when the Minister who had to answer was absent, nobody could say anything by way of any explanation at all. Why is the time fixed that the House should assemble at 8-30 A.M. After all, when the Hon'ble Ministers do not come in time or if they need to go elsewhere, they could ask others to look after. That much attention and respect should be shown to the House so as to carry out the business allotted for the day. There should be better co-operation; I really do not understand this!

Sri M. V. KRISHNAPPA.—Sir, in my personal case, this is the first time. Two Swamijis caught hold of me when I was just coming near the steps. They are big Matadhipathies and I could not say 'no' to them.

(*Laughter.*)

Mr. SPEAKER.—The Hon'ble Minister is making the matters worse. (laughter) Whoever they might be, nobody has got higher demand on the attention of the Minister than this House.

Sri S. M. KRISHNA (Maddur).—Sir, a better explanation would be that the early morning news papers have conveyed very bad news to the Ministers—the severe jolt in Kerala. Perhaps they were not in a mood to come to the House.

SECOND REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ASSURANCES REPRESENTATION.

Sri M. N. NAGHNOOR (Sampagaon II).—Sir, I present the Second Report of the Committee on Government Assurances.

Mr. SPEAKER.—The Second Report of the Committee on Government Assurances is presented.

NINTH REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PRIVATE MEMBERS BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Motion to adopt.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER (SRI A. R. PANCHAGAVI).—I beg to present the Ninth Report of the Committee on Private Members' Bills and Resolutions.

Mr. SPEAKER.—The Ninth Report of the Committee on Private Members's Bills and Resolutions is presented.

Sri A. R. PANCHAGAVI.—I beg to move :

“ That this Assembly agrees with the Ninth Report of the Committee on Private Members' Bills and Resolutions ”.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I put the motion to the House. The Question is :

“ That this House agrees with the Ninth Report of the Committee on Private Members' Bills and Resolutions ”.

The motion was adopted.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Now, we pass on to the next item.

Members' Representation

† **Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA (Sira).**—Sir, I want to bring to your notice one point. My doubt is about the powers and responsibilities of the Parliamentary Secretaries here.

Mr. SPEAKER.—When Demands come up, the Hon'ble Member will have a chance.

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—Sir, I am not objecting to their appointment. You were pleased to observe how the Ministers and Deputy Ministers behave and how they take this House so light heartedly. In this connection I wanted to mention this. I want to know the position of the Parliamentary Secretaries. Sri G. B. Shankar Rao will be answering from the biggest to the smallest points in the P. W. D. I want to know whether they fall in the list of Ministers and Deputy Ministers or whether they have a separate category. It is nowhere mentioned in the Constitution about their position. So far as the Deputy Ministers are concerned, it is all right. But, I request the Hon'ble Chair to clarify this matter. I am rather ignorant about the status of the Parliamentary Secretaries. My point is, some times Sri Shankar Rao presumes that he is the Government and goes on answering questions about even bringing money from the Central Government. He has not seen Delhi offices and he has not discussed these matters with them but he gives answers to such questions. If my words are not pleasing to him or wound his feelings, I withdraw them. But I want to know the definite place of these Parliamentary Secretaries in the structure of the Cabinet and how they fall in line with the Ministers and the Deputy Ministers.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ವಿ. ರೇವಣ ಸಿದ್ದಪ್ಪ (ತಿಪಟೂರು).—ಉಪಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳ ವಿಷಯವೂ ಅದೇ ಆಗಿದೆ. ಸುಮ್ಮನೆ ಘೈಲುಗಳನ್ನು ಹಿಡಿದುಕೊಂಡು ಈ ಸಭೆಗೆ ಬರುವುದು, ಮತ್ತು ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಗಳಿಗೆ ಉತ್ತರವನ್ನು ಹೇಳುವುದು. ಇಷ್ಟು ಮಾತ್ರ ಇವರ ಕೆಲಸವಾಗಿದೆ.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I will look into it.

†Indicates that the remarks or speeches have not been revised by the member concerned